

# BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006 Fargo-Wahpeton (BEA-EA) [57055]

Fargo-Wahpeton is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 2006 population of 281,972 ranked 152nd in the nation.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Fargo-Wahpeton had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$33,633. This PCPI ranked 50th in the United States and was 92 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.7 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Fargo-Wahpeton was \$21,909 and ranked 63rd in the United States. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.3 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Fargo-Wahpeton had a total personal income (TPI) of \$9,483,517\*. This TPI ranked 138th in the United States. In 1996 the TPI of Fargo-Wahpeton was \$5,898,048\* and ranked 142nd in the United States. The 2006 TPI reflected an increase of 4.5 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Fargo-Wahpeton. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 67.4 percent of TPI (compared with 66.7 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 18.3 percent (compared with 19.4 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 14.3 percent (compared with 13.9 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings increased 3.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 7.1 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 8.1 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings increased on average 5.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.2 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Fargo-Wahpeton increased from \$7,149,905\* in 2005 to \$7,397,217\* in 2006, an increase of 3.5 percent. The 2005-2006 national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$4,539,790\* to the 2006 estimate was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.

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